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Alumni News Letter

The Michigan State Normal College sends you greeting. In this history making year, in the great rush of events have you had time to think now and then of your alma mater? Whether or not you have done so during the year we invite you now to turn your thoughts and if you can we trust that you will turn your footsteps toward the Normal Campus. It is June again, the campus is green and beautiful; another class is ready to break the ivy chain and leave the college doors. Many of your friends will be back renewing acquaintance with the friends and the scenes of college days. We hope that you will be with them.

The program of Commencement week will be as follows:

Sunday, June 16, Baccalaureate Address
Monday, June 17, Class Day and Conservatory Commencement
Tuesday, June 18, Alumni Day
Wednesday, June 19, Commencement

Come and meet your former classmates and old friends among the faculty.

The Commencement Address will be given by Rabbi Stephen S. Wise of New York City.

The executive committee headed by Margaret Wise, the president, is planning a big reunion for alumni day but it won't be a complete success if you are not here.

The classes of 1913, 1908, 1903, and so on back are scheduled to hold their five year reunions at this time.

In many ways the past year has be an unusual one for the Normal College. Every effort has been made to keep the College in line with the other great forces of the nation in developing loyalty and patriotism. Whether

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you are able to be with us at Commencement time or not we feel that you should know something of the activities of the College during the past year.

Attendance

As with all other educational institutions the stress of the war has affected unfavorably our attendance during the past year. The attendance at the summer school was below the abnormally large summer school of 1916 though not below that of preceding years. It was not until the present regular school year that the full effect of the war was felt upon attendance. Compared with the regular school year of 1916-17 the attendance shows a falling off of 22 per cent. Most of our men students are in the national service and the attendance of the young women is also reduced by the great demand in other lines of work.

Normal Alumni and Students In the War

Many of our students and alumni are already in France and Italy and more of them are constantly going.

Word has hecently come that two of our alumni have died in the country's service.

LIEUTENANT FRED DALY

was a member of the class of 1906 of the Conservatory. He will be remembered by many as a brilliant member of one of the best male quartets that ever went out of the Normal. He was for a time supervisor of music in the Ypsilanti public schools and later went on the professional stage for several years. Seven years ago he enlisted in the United States Army and spent several years in the Philippines. He died of pneumonia at Camp Merrit, N. J.

ELWOOD D. STANBERY

was killed at Lincoln, England, while undergoing intensive training in aviation before he was to have been transferred to active service at the front. Private Stanbery

was a member of the Normal College class of 1915. He was a specializing student in the department of Physical Education and was one of the best all-around in-door athletes the College has ever produced. He took his part in other College activities and in his senior year represented the College in the State Oratorical Contest.

When the United States entered the war he enlisted at once in the aviation service from Highland Park where he was then teaching. Rejected because he lacked knowledge of internal combustion engines, he entered the Cadillac Motor factory and worked until he knew engines, when he again offered himself and was accepted.

He was courageous, modest and determined—a type of soldier of which America may feel proud.

War Activities in the College

During the past year General Assembly has been held each wek as usual and the programs in the main have dealt with some phase of the war.

The freshman and sophomore class assemblies have been devoted largely to carrying out the government request for education of the students as to ways in which they could best help the country in war. Particular attention has been given to the problem of conservation.

Miss Harriet MacKenzie of the English department is doing valuable work for the Y.M.C.A. in France. Miss Eleanor Strafer of the Fine Arts department is in hospital work at Charlotte, N. C.

Mr. Elton Rynearson, the coach last fall, entered the service and Mr. Donald Bell, who succeeded him, is also now with the colors.

Members of the faculty have taken an active part in the bond, Y.M.C.A., and Red Cross Campaigns.

The College pledged $5,000 toward the Army Y.M.C.A. fund. During the last term students are holding reg-

ular weekly thrift stamp sales and liberal sums have been put into this as well as into bonds and Red Cross subscriptions.

War Gardens

Of the ten acre Alumni field purchased two years ago for the Athletic Association, about five acres is as yet undeveloped. Last year some of the men of the faculty plowed this ground and put in war gardens and succeeded in taking off from it a crop valued at a thousand dollars. This year the field is being planted again.

Red Cross Instruction

A large amount of Red Cross work has been done by the young women of the school. Large groups have been meeting evenings, three time a week, and working on supplies and material of various kinds. The building formerly used as the president's home has been fitted up as Red Cross Headquarters and in Health Cottage a course in home nursing is being given.

The Administration Building

The Administration Building will be dedicated in June 1918. On the first floor will be located the offices and the Modern Language department. The second floor will be the home of the Fine Arts department. The basement will house the Industrial Arts department and also furnish a suite for the Y.M.C.A. The building is of the same style of architecture as Pease Auditorium.

The Lecture Course

The Lecture Course has been maintained again this year at a cost to the students of 25 cents for a season ticket, the townspeople and faculty paying a dollar. It is gratifying to know that it was attended by practically the entire school and by a large number of citizens.

The Course consisted of lectures by

William Howard Taft
Beatrice Forbes-Robertson Hale
Edward A. Steiner
Zenola Maclaren
Montraville Wood

Religious Activities

This has been an unusually important year in the activities of the Christian Associations, the Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. Beside the raising of a fund of $5,000 already referred to for the Army Y.M.C.A. in which these Associations took an active part, a general fund has been raised from which a general secretary is employed.

The Catholic Students Club, with a membership of one hundred fifty, holds regular meeting once a month in a splendidly equipped Club House back of the Catholic Church. The Club was unusually active in the various drives for funds, donating generously to both the "Y" and K. of C. War Funds.

Language Teaching

The reaction against the teaching of German throughout the country has cause a great increase in the demand for teachers of Latin and French, and a corresponding increase in the number of students in these classes as well as in the courses in Spanish.

Household Arts Department

The Smith-Hughes bill providing National aid for industrial education in the high schools of the states has come into affect. The Michigan State Normal College and the Michigan Agricultural College are designated as the two schools to provide teachers for this work. Mrs. Martha French of the Household Arts department in the Nor-

mal has been appointed state visitor to the high schools obtaining this aid.

Oratory and Debate

During the past year four intercollegiate debates have been held and the College participated in the Woman's State Oratorical Contest but was prevented from entering the Men's Contest because of the sickness of the Normal representative at the time of the Contest. In all of the contests the Normal College has had reason to feel proud of the high character of work done by her representatives. During the last few years, in addition to the oratorical contests, there has been held a reading contest during the spring term. The contest this year showed a very high character of work, the first prize being won by Mrs. Bessie Crone.

Some Interesting Items About the Faculty and Alumni

Professor E. A. Strong is still teaching with us at the ripe age of eighty-four.

Professor Jefferson has been employed by the National Geographical Society to investigate social conditions in portions of South America largely settled by German immigrants.

Professor Isaiah Bowman of the department of geography in Yale University and an alumnus of the Normal College is president of the National Geographic Society.

A Patriotic Appeal

In closing this little resume of the campus news of this Commencement time we wish to direct your special attention to one fact which we believe is of very great significance not only to the Normal College but to the State and the Nation as well, that is the decreased attendance in the Normal Schools. Inevitably this will re-

sult in a scarcity of teachers. The effect is already being felt and will be more marked the coming year. Many schools will probably have to close for lack of teachers.

To thoughtful men and women this condition will appeal as a serious problem. We are glad to have our young men of military age assume their duties by entering the army, but there should be men exempt from military service or young women to take their places. Instead of this, conditions are such that a smaller number of young women than usual are turning toward the teaching profession. Surely next in importance to carrying on an effective military campaign it is important that our schools should be maintained at a high standard of efficiency.

The schools must aid in solving great problems at the close of the war. The army is fighting to make the world safe for democracy, and the schools must make democracy safe for the world. If Germany has shown the danger of education without democracy, Russia has shown the danger of democracy without education. The schools and not the armies must save us from the theories of Bolshiviki and I.W.W.'s after the war.

It is a patriotic duty at this time to see that the standards of education are maintained. First by turning the minds of young people toward teaching as a patriotic service in which they can render very great benefit to their country and to the world; second by urging the importance of raising the standards of teachers' wages throughout the country. In other occupations wages have greatly increased, but the increase in teachers' salaries has not been proportional to the increase in other lines or to the increased cost of living.

Some communities have seen the situation and have made generous increases but others have been slow to

meet the new conditions. Communities everywhere should be brought to realize that a strong support of the schools is essential in a democracy and is necessary for our national safety.

M. S. N. C. Men in War Service

This is the list of Normal College men in service whose names have reached us directly or indirectly. Undoubtedly there are errors. The College will be greatly obliged to any one reporting an error or omission.

AMBROSE, RELL—Camp Custer, Michigan

ARTHUR, NORMAN (Sergt.)—119 Field Artillery, A. E. F., France

ASHLEY, BURR—Camp Custer, Michigan

BAILEY, CLYDE G.—62 Co. A, Marine Barracks, Paris Island, South Carolina

BALL, LEROY (Pvt.)—100 Co. B, Marine Barracks, Paris Island, South Carolina

BARKMAN, FLOYD—Medical Service, Columbus, Ohio.

BARNES, G. W. (Lieut.)—Co. G, 338 Inf., Camp Custer, Mich.

BARR, RELIS—Camp Custer, Michigan

BATES, FRED C.—

BECKWITH, BERNARD—Navy.

BEEMAN, CLARENCE—Infirmery, Navy

BELL, DON— Camp Oglethorpe, Ga.

BELL, ROLAND—37 Co., 10 Bn., 160 D.B., Camp Custer, Mich.

BENNETT, ARLO—Co. C, 338th Inf., Camp Custer, Michigan

BISHOP, ROBERT—Marine Corps, Paris Island, S. C.

BLACKFORD—

BLANFORD, R. E.—A.E.F., via New York City

BONILLA, VICTOR—

BORGERSON, NORMAN—State Constabulary, East Lansing, Michigan

BOUTELL, WILLIAM—107 Field Signal Bn., A.E.F., France.

BOUTELL,—107 Field Signal Bn., A.E.F., France

BOYCE, JOHN P. (Sergt.)—Medical Det., 352nd Inf., Camp Dodge, Iowa

BRADSHAW, CLEVE R. (Lieut.)—Inf. R.C., Unassigned, A. E.F., via New York City

BRIGHAM, ERNEST H.—Camp Custer, Michigan

BROWN, JASPER L.—Co. F, 310 Eng., Camp Custer, Michigan

BRUNDAGE, OSCAR—Medical Corps, Columbus, Ohio
BURKET, MYRAUM E.—Camp Custer, Michigan
BURNS, RUSSELL—Camp Custer, Michigan
BURT, CLARE N.—U.S. Marine Corps, 82nd Co., 6th Reg., A. E.F., via New York City
CAMPBELL, OLIVER—
CAMPBELL, ROLLAND—Signal Corps
CAREY, CASS I.—Camp Custer, Michigan
CARR, MARVIN—Waiting call to Aviation Service.
CLAY, T. M.—Battery F, 328th Reg. F. A., Camp Custer, Mich.
CLAYTON, THOMAS—
CLEARY, CHARLES (Lieut.)—305 Field Artillery, A.E.F., via New York City
CORBIN, BYRON—Machine Gun Co., 337 Inf., Camp Custer, Michigan
CORK, JAMES M.—Navy
CRIPPS, J. L.—Camp Custer, Michigan
CULVER, GUY D. L.—
CURTIS, C. DALE (Lieut)—Ba. B, 329 F.A., Camp Custer, Mich.
CURTIS, F. A.—Camp Custer, Michigan
CUTCHER, FLOYD—Navy.
DAVIS, EARL B.—
DeFOREST, CARL
DELL, RAYMOND—U.S.A.A.C., Sec. 390, Allentown, Penn.
DEXTER, J. B.—Hdq. Co., 328 F.A., Camp Custer, Michigan
DOYLE, DEWEY—Battery F, 119th F.A., 32 Division, A.E.F., France
DUNCAN, W. GEORGE—Navy
DUNSMORE, PHILO—Gerstner Field, Lake Charles, La.
DUNTAN, MAROLD—Aviation School, Urbana, Illinois
DURANCE, WM.—Camp Custer, Michigan
DuVALL, H. BLAIR—Hdq. Co., 119th F.A., A.E.F, France
EDDY, BENJ. H.—Co. B, 107th Field Signal Bn., A.E.F., France
EDWARDS, W. J.—O. T. S., Camp Dodge, Iowa.
ERWIN, ARTHUR—A.E.F., via New York City
FISTLER, DWIGHT (Lieut.)—Co. A, 388th Inf., Camp Custer, Michigan
FITZGERALD, JESSE—119th F.A., Battery F, A.E.F., France
FOLEY, BERNARD—Co. F, 338 Inf., Camp Custer, Michigan
FOSTER, LUTHER B. (Lieut.)—142 F.A., Camp Beauregard, La.
FRASER, G. H.—O.S.C., A.E.F., France
FRASIER, CLARK—Ambulance Corps, Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio

FRASIER, PERRY—Ambulance Corps, Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio

FREEMAN, GILES—Navy

FULLER, J. BURNS (2nd Lieut.)—308 Inf., Machine Gun Co., 77th Division, A.E.F., France

GAUDY, HAROLD—Camp Gorden, Atlanta, Ga.

GARDNER, NEIL—Camp Custer, Michigan

GERKE, WM. (Sergt.)—Supply Sergt., 107 Field Signal Bn., A.E.F., France

GILL, ORLO (Sergt.)—Hdq. Co., 125th Inf., A.E.F., France

GILLESPIE, ALEX.—

GILMAN, FRANK—

GOODRICH, F. L. D.—Librarian, Camp Greene, N. C.

GORDON, HAROLD R.—School of Military Aeronautics, S.M.A., Austin, Texas

GORDON, SILVANUS—

GRANDY, WILLIAM DAVID—Co. C, 310 Eng., Camp Custer, Michigan

GRETTENBERGER, R. A.—Aviation Service

HALL, WALLACE C.—Meteorological Service, Aviation Section, U.S. Signal Corps, A.E.F., via New York City

HANNAN, GLENN—

HANSON, HAROLD—Co. D, 120 U.S. Infantry, A.E.F., France

HARTMAN, JOHN (Sergt.)—Co. A, 107th Field Signal Bn., A.E.F., France

HARVEY, ALFRED. L. (Capt.)—A.E.F., via New York City

HATCHER, HARRY—Camp Custer, Michigan

HAUSE, BASIL—

HAWKS, EARLE (Lieut.)—Hdq., Camp Custer, Michigan

HEWITT, HAZEN—Sanitation Division, 107 Reg. Eng., A.E.F., France

HOAGLAND, LaVELLE V.—15th Bn., 36 Hospital Train, Camp Greenleaf, Chickamauga Park, Ga.

HOLMES, RAYMOND (Lieut.)—A.E.F., via New York City

HOLEN, ALVIN (Lieut.)—

HOPKINS, NAT W.—Ordance Depot, Camp Joseph E. Johnston, Jacksonville, Florida

HUBBARD, HARRY—Ordance Depot, Camp Joseph E. Johnston, Jacksonville, Florida

HURST, GEORGE (Lieut.)—Camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C.

HUTCHINSON, HOWARD E.—310 Eng. Train, Camp Custer, Michigan

JAMESON, J. J.—Field Hospital 148, Montgomery, Alabama

JEFFERSON, THEODORE—Aviation School, Urbana, Illinois

JENS, OTTO J.—League Island Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.

JONES, DAALE—Co. A, 303 Bat., Camp Colt, Gettysburg, Pa.

JOHNSON, HAROLD—Co. B, 328 M.G. Bn., Camp Custer, Mich.

JOHNSON, HARRY G. (Corp.)—Band 338 Hq. Co., Camp Custer Michigan

JOHNSON, OLIVER—Camp Custer, Michigan

JUHL, LEONARD—Camp Custer, Michigan

KERNEY, THOMAS J.—Co. C, Radio School, Great Lakes, Ill.

KOPKA, MERLAND—Marine Corps, A.E.F., France, via New York City

LAMB, HAROLD—Hdq. Co., 119th F.A., A.E.F., France

LANGTON, CLAIRE (Lieut.)—Camp Alfred Vail, Little Silver, New Jersey

LARABEE, EARLE A. (Capt.)—Corozal, Panama, Canal Zone

LAWLER, DONALD—U.S.N.R.F. Barracks, Newport, R. I.

LEE, FRANK H.—116 Co., U.S.M.C., St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, Care of Postmaster, New York City

LINDOW, PALMER—Merchant Marine

LOCKWOOD, PAUL—78 Co., 6 Regiment, U.S. Marines, A.E.F. France

LUSE, FOSTER—Co. 40, 10th Bn., 160 Depot Brig., Camp Custer, Michigan

MARTIN, ANDREW—Amb. Co. 315, Camp Mead, Baltimore, Maryland

McGREGOR, MALCOLM—Camp Custer, Michigan

McKAY, GEORGE (Capt.)—310 Hdq. & M.P., Camp Custer, Michigan

McKENNY, CHARLES A.—Co. C, 313th Field Signal Bn., Camp Dodge, Iowa

McKENNY, LAURENCE (2nd Lieut)—Hdq. Co., 313th Field Signal Bn., Camp Dodge, Iowa

McRAE, EDWARD (Capt.)—Truck Co. No. 4, 310 Ammunition Train, Camp Custer, Michigan

MEAD, GEORGE (Lieut.)—Co. C, Inf., Camp Custer, Michigan

MENERY, LORENCE J.—Navy

MORGAN, ARTHUR B.—Hdq. Co., 337 Inf., Camp Custer, Mich.

MORRALL, CLARENCE B.—12th Co., 3 Bn., 160 Depot Brigade, Camp Custer, Michigan

MORRISON, HUGH—

MUMBY, EARL M. (Lieut.)—S.O.R.C., College Park, Maryland State College, Md.

MURRAY, M. B.—10 Co., 3 Bn.,158 Depot Brig., Camp Devins Mass.

MUSOLF, MARTIN—Barracks 942 E, Camp Farragut, Great Lakes, Illinois
NORTON, STANLEY—
OAKES, B. J.—Co. A, 2 Hospital Corps, Great Lakes, Illinois
PAISLEY, RUSSELL—
PARSONS, GEORGE—Ordnance Co. 13, Camp Merritt, N. J.
PARSONS, ROY M.—Augusta Arsenal, Augusta, Ga.
PETERSON, LARUE—Camp Custer, Mich.
PINSON, H. PARKES—Camp Wheeler, Ga.
PITTENGER, B. F.—Examining Psyschologist, Medical Dept., Camp Lee, Va.
POE, JAMES W. (Lieut.)—Camp Custer, Mich.
PONTON, CHARLES N.—U.S.A.A.S. Section 91-62, Par B. M., Paris France
PONTON, CLARENCE—U.S.A.A.S. Section 91-62, Par B. C. M., Paris, France
QUINNELL, GEORGE C.—Care of Chief Signal Officer, Washington, D. C.
READER, RUSSELL (Serg't)—121 Ordnance Depot Co., Camp Sevier, Greenville, S. C.
REID, CLARENCE J. (Corp.)—Ambulance Co. 168, 117 Sanitary Train, A.E.F., Care of Postmaster, New York City
RIEDER, HAROLD L.—Camp Custer, Michigan
ROBINSON, ORLO J.—O.E.C.N.A., Augusta Arsenal, Augusta, Georgia
RODGERS, DON—Co. D, 337 Inf., Camp Custer, Michigan
ROSECRANCE, J. LEVI—
ROY, JOHN L.—
RUTAN, CARL M. (Lieut.)—37th Inf., Laredo, Texas.
RYNEARSON, ELTON (O. T. S.)—Camp Custer, Michigan.
RYNEARSON, WM.—A.E.F., France
SAUNDERS, ERWIN W.—(Photographic Division) 18th Aero Sqdr., Rockwell Field, San Diego, California
SAXE, RICHARD—Co. B, 337 Inf., Camp Custer, Michigan
SCHAMEHORN, O. C.—Camp Custer, Michigan
SENEY, JOHN—Camp Custer, Michigan
SHAW, MILTON (1st Lieut.)—Infirmary, 119th F.A., A.E.F., France
SHAWLEY, GEORGE E. (Corp.)—116th Co., Marine Barracks, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands
SHERZER, ALLAN (Lieut.)—Camp Devins, Mass.
SHIMP, HIRAM—
SHUMWAY, F. D.—
SILER, MELVIN—Chemical Service.

SIDES, RAYMOND—Truck Co. No. 4, 310 Ammunitions Train, Camp Custer, Michigan
SIMPSON, LEIGH—
SKINNER, HAROLD B.—
SMITH, HARRY—
SMITH, HEWITT M.—Sanitary Det., 107 Reg. Eng., A.E.F., France
SPENCER, JAMES—Co. A, 340 Inf., Camp Custer, Michigan
STEELE, WILLIAM C. (2nd Lieut.)—F.A.R.C., Camp McArthur, Waco, Texas
SUTTON, CYRIL—Marine Corps
SWEET, ARTHUR—Co. 2, 310 Supply Train, Camp Custer, Michigan
TAKKEN, J. E. (Lieut.)—12th Field Artillery, Camp Fort Meyer, Va.
TATE, ALFRED R.—3rd Q.M. Det., Camp Hill, Newport News, Virginia
TAYLOR, ALBION W.—Camp Custer, Michigan
TEDROW, W. H.—Co. B, 329th M.G. Bn., Camp Custer, Mich.
TRACY, GUY ALLEN—Amb. Co. 168, 117 Sanitary Train, A.E. F., via New York City
TUPPER, DR. LEWIS N. (Capt.)—Medical Reserve Corps, Director Sanitary Squad 316, Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, O.
WALKER, CHARLES D. (Lieut.)—Co. I, 61 Regular Inf., Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.
WARNER, JAMES—Marine Corps
WATSON, JESSE—Camp Custer, Michigan
WEBB, ALEX—Camp Custer, Michigan
WEBB, F. D. (Sergt.)—A.E.F., via New York City
WEBB, WILLIAM—Chemical Service.
WEBB, ROY O.—Chemical Service.
WEST, CLARENCE J.—
WILLBE, DANA—Navy
WILLIAMSON, JAMES—Navy
WILBER, MILLS—Co. A, 125th Inf., A.E.F., France
WILLARD, HOSEA B. (Sergt.)—Base Hospital 52, Camp Gordon, Atlanta, Ga.
WILMOT, HAZEN—
WIRTH, CARL—R.O.T.C. Dept., A.E.F., France.
WOLTERS, LOUIS—Washington, D. C.
WOOD, HARLOW (Lieut.)—A.E.F., via New York City
WOOD, OSCAR (Lieut.)—Camp Grant, Illinois
WOODEN, HARLEY Z.—Camp Custer, Michigan

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